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Key findings for the Southern Region released in the *Crop Production Summary* include:

Alabama: Corn for grain production for 2014 totaled 45.3 million bushels, up 4% from 2013. Corn yield for 2014 was a record high 159 bushels per acre. Cotton planted area, estimated at 350,000 acres, is down 4% from last year. Harvested area, at 348,000 acres, is down 3% from last year. Production is estimated at 660,000 bales, 12% above last year. Hay production totaled 2.10 million tons from 750,000 acres. Peanut planted area is up 25% with production totaling 554 million pounds, up 13% from 2013. Soybean planted and harvested acreages are up 10% from 2013 while production is up 2% from last year.

Florida: Corn planted for all purposes at 75,000 acres is down 35% from 2013. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 40,000, down 49% from last year. While yield is a record high 135 bushels per acre, production was down 48% from 2013. Cotton planted area, estimated at 107,000 acres, is down 18% from last year. Harvested area, at 105,000 acres, is down 17% from last year. The 2014 production is estimated at 200,000 bales, 14% above last year. Hay production totaled 832,000 tons from 320,000 acres. Peanut planted area is up 25% with production totaling 668 million pounds, up 29% from 2013. Soybean production is 1.59 million bushels with a record high yield of 43 bushels per acre.

Georgia: Corn for grain production for 2014 totaled 52.7 million bushels, down 35% from 2013. Cotton planted and harvested acreage is up slightly from last year while production, at 2.50 million bales, is up 8% from 2013. Hay production totaled 1.50 million tons from 580,000 acres. Peanut planted area is up 40% with production totaling 2.42 billion pounds, up 28% from 2013. Soybeans planted is up 28% from last year while acres harvested are up 26%. Soybeans production at 11.6 million bushels is up 25% from last year. Tobacco production totaled 34.5 million pounds, 54% above last year.

South Carolina: Corn for grain production for 2014 totaled 32.8 million bushels, down 24% from 2013. Cotton planted area, estimated at 280,000 acres, is up 9% from last year. Harvested area, at 278,000 acres, is up 11% from last year. Production is estimated at 520,000 bales, 44% above last year. Hay production totaled 621,000 tons from 270,000 acres. Peanut planted area is up 38% with production totaling 410 million pounds, up 50% from 2013. Soybean planted acreage is up 41% from 2013. With a record high yield of 35 bushels per acre, the 2014 production at 15.4 million bushels is up 74% from last year. Tobacco production totaled 33.2 million pounds, 35% above last year.

Hay Stocks on Farms — States and United States: May 1 and December 1, 2013 and 2014

State	May 1		December 1	
	2013	2014	2013	2014
	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)
Alabama	215	300	1,470	1,495
Florida	25	55	460	570
Georgia.....	250	170	1,150	1,030
South Carolina.....	110	95	440	370
United States	14,156	19,176	89,304	92,052

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Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production — States and United States: 2013 and 2014

Crop	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn ¹(bushels)								
Alabama.....	320	300	295	285	147.0	159.0	43,365	45,315
Florida.....	115	75	78	40	133.0	135.0	10,374	5,400
Georgia.....	510	350	465	310	175.0	170.0	81,375	52,700
South Carolina.....	350	295	335	280	129.0	117.0	43,215	32,760
United States.....	95,365	90,597	87,451	83,136	158.1	171.0	13,828,964	14,215,532
Cotton, all ² (bales)								
Alabama.....	365.0	350.0	359.0	348.0	789	910	590.0	660.0
Florida.....	131.0	107.0	127.0	105.0	661	914	175.0	200.0
Georgia.....	1,370.0	1,380.0	1,340.0	1,370.0	831	876	2,320.0	2,500.0
South Carolina.....	258.0	280.0	250.0	278.0	691	898	360.0	520.0
United States.....	10,407.0	11,037.0	7,544.4	9,707.4	821	795	12,909.2	16,084.0
Hay, all other (tons)								
Alabama.....	(NA)	(NA)	790	750	2.70	2.80	2,133	2,100
Florida.....	(NA)	(NA)	300	320	2.20	2.60	660	832
Georgia.....	(NA)	(NA)	580	580	2.70	2.60	1,566	1,508
South Carolina.....	(NA)	(NA)	290	270	2.20	2.30	638	621
United States.....	(NA)	(NA)	40,224	38,647	1.93	2.03	77,785	78,352
Peanuts..... (pounds)								
Alabama.....	140.0	175.0	138.0	173.0	3,550	3,200	489,900	553,600
Florida.....	140.0	175.0	131.0	167.0	3,950	4,000	517,450	668,000
Georgia.....	430.0	600.0	426.0	591.0	4,430	4,100	1,887,180	2,423,100
South Carolina.....	81.0	112.0	78.0	108.0	3,500	3,800	273,000	410,400
United States.....	1,067.0	1,354.0	1,043.0	1,325.0	4,001	3,932	4,173,170	5,210,100
Sorghum ¹(bushels)								
Georgia.....	55	40	40	23	50.0	41.0	2,000	943
United States.....	8,076	7,138	6,585	6,401	59.6	67.6	392,331	432,575
Soybeans(bushels)								
Alabama.....	440	485	430	475	43.5	40.0	18,705	19,000
Florida.....	32	39	30	37	41.0	43.0	1,230	1,591
Georgia.....	235	300	230	290	40.5	40.0	9,315	11,600
South Carolina.....	320	450	310	440	28.5	35.0	8,835	15,400
United States.....	76,840	83,701	76,253	83,061	44.0	47.8	3,357,984	3,968,823
Sugarcane ³ (tons)								
Florida.....	(NA)	(NA)	416.0	412.0	34.6	38.6	14,400	15,891
United States.....	(NA)	(NA)	910.8	874.1	33.8	35.3	30,761	30,869
Sweet Potato..... (cwt)								
Alabama.....	2.5	2.1	2.4	2.0	173	220	415	440
Florida.....	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.9	142	200	838	1,180
United States.....	115.7	137.3	113.2	135.2	219	219	24,785	29,584
Tobacco (pounds)								
Georgia.....	(NA)	(NA)	12.8	15.0	1,750	2,300	22,400	34,500
South Carolina.....	(NA)	(NA)	14.5	15.8	1,700	2,100	24,650	33,180
United States.....	(NA)	(NA)	355.7	378.4	2,034	2,316	723,579	876,415

(NA) Not Available.

¹ Planted for all purposes, harvested for grain.

² Yield is pounds. Production ginned and to be ginned. Production is in 480-lb. net weight bales.

³ For sugar and seed.

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